

April 12, 2013

To: The House Ways & Means Committee

Re: The tax code and subsidies for the Wind Turbine Companies

Ladies & Gentlemen;

This is the first time I have written to you regarding this issue. I live in Champaign County in rural Ohio and have lived here for 40 plus years. I love my home and country and feel I need to tell you how I feel regarding giving tax money to the wind companies without ensuring a guarantee of the energy they will produce. This is NOT a political issue but a non-partisan citizen issue. It affects all citizens regardless of political party. I would like to direct you and other readers to a Wall Street Journal article recently written by a Wind Executive - titled "Wind Energy - No Thanks" by Patrick Jenevein. In this article it states just because the grants that companies receive aren't based on how much power they produce, "it is possible that developers have seized this limited opportunity to build out the less-energetic sites." Meanwhile, wind-power prices have increased to an average \$54 per megawatt-hour, compared with \$37 in 2005. They spend most of their money on lobbyists and attorneys trying to make sure they don't miss out on any of our tax money. How much are we going to have to pay to have these industrial turbines removed after they are no longer in use? Communities are going to suffer with their health and financially.

Please do not allow the wind companies to get special subsidies and tax breaks with our hard earned tax money. If they can not stand alone then they should not be a viable company. I don't think they are going to produce enough power to pay for all the expense associated with allowing the industrial turbines to be placed in densely populated areas. NO TAX INCENTIVES or SUBSIDIES for Wind Turbine Companies!!! Please give this matter your careful attention.

Respectfully submitted,

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